

First Deformation Elements

- 1 FIGS. 7-12;
2. FIGS. 13-15B.

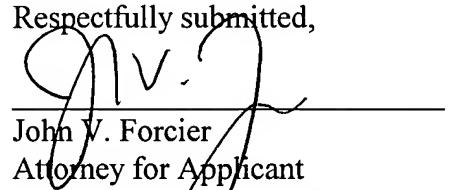
Applicants hereby elect with traverse species I, species A, and species 2, as represented by FIGS. 7-9, FIGS. 1-2, and FIGS. 13-15B respectively. Applicants submit that at least claims 1-21, 23, and 25-34 are readable on the elected species.

CONCLUSION

Applicants hereby elect with traverse species I, species A, and species 2, and request allowance of claims 1-34 in due course. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney to discuss any outstanding issues.

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